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TWO CENTS.

General Engagement Immi- Tentatively Accepted by nent Near Gunshu Pass.

JAPS ENGAGE RUSSIANS AND NOW UP TO JOINT COUNCIL, DRIVE THEM BACK.

Russian Cavalry Attacks Japanese Unless Plans Fail Most of Strikers Field Hospital and is Driven Off by Artillery.

Pass), Manchuria, May 20 .- A general engagement is imminent. Field Marshal Oyama is deploying heavy forces against Gen. Linevitch's left and is concentrating his troops along the center, but his base is opposite the Russian right. It is not yet clear which wing is making a demonstration and which will deliver the main blow. It is evident from Linevitch's preparations that he intends to accept a decisive battle. Russians Driven Back.

TOKYO, May 20, 7 p.m.-It was announced this evening from the headquarters of the Japanese armies in the field that three Russian columns of mixed forces advanced southward May 18 to the vicinity of the railroad. Simultaneously 500 Russian cavalry attacked a Japanese field hospital at Kangpin, on the right bank of the Liao river. Japanese artillery and infantry dispersed the attacking cavalrymen, inflicting heavy loss upon them.

Confirmed in St. Petersburg.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 20 .- The war office confirms the report from Gunshu Pass that Field Marshal Oyama is on the eve of taking the general offensive, and no doubt is entertained here that Gen. Linevitch will accept battle in his present positions. The general staff believes Oyama's advance was precipitated by the doubt regarding the issue of the coming naval battle be-tween Admirals Rojestvensky and Togo. With an unbeaten army in front of him, Oyama's position might be critical if his communications with Japan were inter-rupted even temporarily.

Russian Attacks Repulsed.

Special Cablegram to The Star.

TOKYO, May 20 .- An official report issued by the war department tonight shows that the Russian reconnaissances on the morning of Thursday included simultaneous attacks upon all three of the Japanese columns advancing from Fakumen, Changtufu and Kaiyuan. The most determined attack was made at Nanchingtsu, ten miles north of Kaiyuan. All the attacks were scattering and slight.

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Bouligin Rescript Commission Completes Labors.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 20 .- The Bouligin rescript commission has practically completed its labors and the Associated Press is in a position to announce that it will recommend the establishment of a representative assembly with limited legislative powers. The project will be published at the end of May, after which it will be considered by appointed representatives of the various classes and the project will then go to the council of the empire for final action. The government has decided against the proposal to have elected representatives review the ground to be covered as the zemstvos and doumas are not sitting at this time of the year. It was held that to await the election of representatives simply to go over the project would involve too much delay.

A proposition for the erection of a legis-lative chamber on the Champs de Mars is already being considered.

The Russ today violently attacks the creation of the new department for peasant affairs as being a bad sign and "simply

a new piece of bureaucratic machinery The Catholics, Molokans, Stundists and all dissident creeds throughout the empire testifying their appreciation of grant of religious freedom, and are holding thanksgiving services. The emperor has received many appreciative addresses from ecclesiastical bodies and individual churches.

DEAD NEARLY A WEEK.

Woman Found in House at Franklinville, N. J.

WOODBURY, N. J., May 20 .- Miss Margaret Bradley, aged fifty years, who lived alone in a small house at Franklinville, near here, was found dead late last night. She is supposed to have been dead for nearly a week, as nothing had been seen of her since last Sunday. The body was found by Frank Roth and James Downs. The sheriff and coroner were notified and the body was taken to Clayton, where an autopsy will be held to ascertain whether the woman was murdered or died a natural

There were no marks of violence on the body, but there are suspicious circum-stances in connection with the case which lead the authorities to suspect murder. The woman operated a truck farm and is supposed to have had considerable money in her possession, but no money was found about the house.

H. Clay Grubb Acquitted.

SALISBURY, N. C., May 20 .- H. Clay Smith, who has been on trial here for the past ten days, charged with the killing of his brother-in-law, O. B. Davis, October 16, 1903, was acquitted today. Both were prominent citizens of Davidson county. Mrs. Grubb, the dead man's sister, remained loyal to her husband throughout

Threatened Servian Massacre.

VIENNA, May 20.-It is reported from Belgrade, Servia, that 2,000 Albanians have surrounded the town of Guillane, Albania, and are threatening to massacre the Servian population of that place. There are 800 ments are expected from Uskub,

Hay in Fine Health.

BERLIN. May 20.-Ambassador Tower returned here today from Bad Nauheim. Secretary Hay, he says, is in fine general health and excellent spirits.

Mrs. Livermore Semi-Conscious. MELROSE, Mass., May 20 .- The physiclan attending Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, the reformer and author, today said that the patient had a sinking spell during the night and since then had been in a semi-conscious condition. He said she was falling rapidly and that the end was likely to come at any

OYAMA NEARLY READY PEACE TERMS FIXED

Teamsters' Joint Council.

DEPLOYING FORCES RATIFIED BY SHEA

WHICH MEETS TONIGHT.

Will Return to Work Next Monday Morning.

What the Strike Cos	t.
Shrinkage in business, State street	
stores	2,500,000
Commission merchants	1,500,000
Railroads	1,000,000
Wholesale grocers and dry goods	1,200,000
Express companies	750,000
Wages lost to teamsters	200,000
Assessments on unions	100,000
Cost of 1.800 extra police and	*** ***
deputy sheriffs	125,000
Meals and food supplied the extra	
force	20,000
Cost to bring in 2,000 strikebreak-	
ers and their maintenance	50,000
Hotels	25,000
Theaters	25,000
	7 405 000
Potal	10
Deaths from violence	10
Wounded-union, non-union and	spec-
tators	

The teamsters' strike is nominally still on, but the official ending is expected tonight. The attorney of the employers' association

"A union committee has accepted terms of peace, and this statement was confirmed by an official of the union. The joint coun cil is to take final action tonight."

Committees representing the teamsters visited a number of the employers and made inquiries as to the reinstatement of old drivers. All will not be re-employed; no law-breaker will be given a position. There was no interference with deliveries to boycotted stores and no rioting.

Little Time Lost.

Little time was consumed by the strike committee in Attorney Mayer's office in announcing their acceptance of the employers terms in general. A long debate ensued, however, over the attitude assumed by the seven general agents of the railway express companies. A transcript of the several propositions

council includes the following points: The strikers are to be reinstated wherever vacancies occur, except that the employers were repulsed. The Russian losses were will not consider applications of men conheaviest north of Fakumen, where the Japanese shell fire severely punished the attacking forces. The Japanese casualties cempanies; union men must deliver to the express companis when ordered to do so; the Employers' Teaming Company to continue hiring non-union men-the open shop to prevail; working conditions, wages and hours to remain the same as before the

> CHICAGO, May 20.—Peace terms tenta-tively accepted by the teamsters' joint coun-cil were ratified by International President c. P. Shea today. The acceptance has still to be fully indorsed at a meeting of the joint council tonight. Unless well-laid plans for a termination of the struggle are overthrown by radicals in the ratification meeting, the teamsters, it is expected, will be back to work on Monday-as many of them as can find work.

> That the union committee, A. J. Reed, secretary of the Furniture Drivers' Union; President C. P. Shea and President W. J. Sibbons of the Teamsters' Joint Council did not represent all of the elements within the teamsers' organization was a report current today about labor headquarters.

Express Companies' Decision.

Formal conclusion of peace in the teamsters' strike waited today upon the efforts of President C. P. Shea and Associate A. J. Reed to secure terms of some sort for th former employes of the railway express companies, all other matters in controversy naving apparently been settled. The express drivers had been flatly refused reinstatenent in even a single instance. At the solicitation of the union leaders the express company representatives here had agreed, however, to communicate with the

officers in New York as to possible conces-This phase of the situation threatened today to prove a rock upon which possibly the peace plans might be wrecked. Anticipating a refusal by the New York officials of the express companies to modify the stand taken by Chicago representatives It was conjectured that the labor leaders might endeavor to center a fight upon the express companies, lifting the ban from all ther concerns. No definite steps in that

press companies. Policeman Patrick E. Blackwell died to ay at Mercy Hospital. His death is the tenth ascribed to the teamsters' strike. Blackwell was injured while guarding a

lirection were taken, however, pending a

eply from the higher officials of the ex-

Wells Fargo express wagon.

Opinions vary as to the number of strikers who will be reinstated, now that the strike practically is ended, but the general belief is that 35 per cent is a onservative figure. This estimate came argely from union sources.

employers, maintaining that the Employers' Teaming Company was a perma-nent institution, placed the percentage of strikers who would get their old places back at even a lower figure. The Employ-ers' Teaming Company will employ no union men at all. The total number on strike, including 500 helpers, at the end is 3.772 From the most trustworthy estimates 1,300 of these will get their places back in the course of time, leaving 2,472 who will have to seek other employment.

Today committees from the various local urions of teamsters visited the employers to make the best terms possible regarding reinstatement. A committee of coal team-sters called on the officers of the Peabody Ccal Company, another committee visited the office of the Commercial Exchange, the organ zation of wholesale grocers; still another committee made a call upon the express managers. The various department

the delivery wagon drivers.

President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor returned to Chicago today. His arrival was in accordance with announcement that he would come back to aid if possible in the settlement of the

store managers received committees from

strike The only point on which the strikers' committee was tenacious was that pertain-ing to express companies. The latter had expressed a determination not to take back strikers, asserting that by striking the lat-ter had broken their contract. In agree-Ing to a settlement the union representa-tives were understood to waive the question of reinstatement of employes of the express

"I have not heard a more pleasant piece of news for sixty days. I congratulate the public and the whole community on the settlement of the strike." This was the statement with which Mayor Dunne greeted the information that Mr. Mayer, attorney for the Employers' Association, had declared that the strike is ended and that the teamsters had accepted the terms of the employers. The mayor received no official notification of the settlement, but accepted the statement of Mr. Mayer as an indication that the entire dispute had been ad-



THE "STAND-PATTERS"

A POLICY OF SILENCE NOW BEING ADOPTED.

Word has been passed around among the 'stand-patters" to cease talking about the Parama purchase proposition of the administration. This policy of silence is being adopted in the hope that the whole thing may die out.

tion would not make canal purchases broad for the present them very much, except that it serves to allay public interest in the case for the present. The issue will have to be met when Congress convenes and then the bogey man will stalk again.

The tariff revisionists say that it makes no difference whether the stand-patters talk or keep silent, or whether the canal commission buys now or later, the deed is done and the attention of the nation is called to the necessity of revising the tar-iff. They intend to keep hammering away at the subject, they say, so that by the time Congress meets the country will be red-hot for revision.

It is an ill wind that blows nobody good, and in the meantime the advocates of the apbuilding of the American merchant marine expect to profit by the canal purchase incident. No feature of the case has seemed to cause a greater outcry than the proposition to use foreign bottoms in the canal service. It is said, however, that the incident has served to draw attention to the necessity of doing something to build up he merchant marine, and the boomers expect to get action at the next session of

It will be recalled that a congressional commission reported at the last session of Congress a comprehensive plan in aid of the upbuilding of the merchant marine, but no action was taken. There is strong opposition in the west to any form of ship subsidy and that opposition is strongest in quarters where tariff revision is most rampant. Still, the merchant marine boomers think that public sentiment is so outraged over the state of the industry, as exhibited n the necessity for going abroad to buy ships, that some action can be forced at the coming session.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

Veteran Yard Condutor Meets Death at Philadelphia. Special Dispatch to The Star.

PHILADELPHIA, May 20 .- Struck by a Pittsburg flyer as he was walking on the Pennsylvania railroad tracks at 52d street station, Charles Municen, 1502 Wanamaker street, was hurled againt a tone pier this morning and instantly killed. The engineer of the train knew nothing

of the accident till he reached Broad street station, when his attention was called to a spattering of blood on the pilot of the loco. motive. Municen, who was forty-two years old, was a veteran yard conductor at the Park shops of the Pennsylvania rails which are situated near Horticultural Hall.

Negroes Wrought Up.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., May 20.-The negroes here are considerably wrought up over what they term the reckless shooting of members of their race by policemen. During the past two weeks three negroes have been shot by officers, two of whom have died.

At a mass meeting of negroes a league was formed for the purpose of raising money to prosecute the policemen charged with shooting negroes.

Bloodhounds After Negro.

BRIDGEPORT, Ohio, May 20.-Bloodhounds are after Charles Fieldsam, a negro, who shot Conductor Chancy of the Bridgeport traction line early today. The con-ductor had put Fieldsam off the car and he began throwing rocks at the car, striking Grace Seabright and Nor Sterling. As the car returned from the end of the line the negre opened fire on the conductor with a shotgun and killed him.

"St. Louis Purchase" Suits.

ST. LOUIS, May 20 .- More than three nundred suits were filed today by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company to colect stock subscriptions aggregating \$30,000. Among the suits was one against Former Mayor Henry Ziegenhein, for \$5,000, which it is alleged he subscribed.

Consolidation of Colleges.

MOUNT STERLING, Ky., May 20.-An arrangement has been made whereby the Southern Methodist College at Paintsville, Johnson county, and the Methodist college at Ashland will be consolidated, the latter college being moved to Paintsville. This will make Paintsville the leading Methodist educational center of the south. New buildings will be erected to cost \$5,000.

SECRETARY HAY'S PLANS.

Will Finish Cure at Bad Nauheim and Return Home.

BAD NAUHEIM, Germany, May 20 .- Secretary Hay will have finished the prescribed cure next week and leave Bad Nauheim May 27 for Paris. Thence he will go to London and will sail for New York on the White Star Line steamer Baltic, leaving Liverpool June 7. The Secretary intended to go to Berlin, but Prof. Groendel advised against the tiring railroad journey. While in Paris Mr. Hay will call on Foreign Min-The announcement that the administra- ister Delcasse, and probably will be received by President Loubet. These calls will e discussed seriously.

Secretary Hay has sent word to the American embassy in Paris that he regrets that he will be unable to accept invitations while there. That will also be his course in London. Mr. Hay will go direct to Washington from New York, and remain at the State Department until the Presi-dent leaves for the summer. Then the Secretary will go to New Hampshire. Consul General Mason has returned to

Berlin from Bad Nauheim. Mrs. Hay will remain in Paris until Mr Hay joins her there.

CORNER STONE EXERCISES. Governor Warfield and Party at Gaithersburg.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

GAITHERSBURG, Md., May 20 .- Gov. Warfield arrived here from Baltimore shortly before 11 o'clock today. He was met at the station by Mayor Ward, Rev. T. J. Lambert, pastor of Grace M. E. Church South, and a delegation of prominent business men. Taking carriages in waiting, the party was escorted through the principal streets by the Travilah brass band, and at noon were tendered a dinner at the Masonic Temple by the ladies. The governor held a reception at 2 o'clock on the steps of the public school building. On Frederick avenue he addressed several thousand people, inaugurating the formal exercises incident to laying the corner stone of the new Grace M. E. Church South, to be built in this place. It will cost \$18,000.

KING'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Edward's Carriage Run Into by Team Coming Behind.

Special Cablegram to The Star. LONDON, May 20.-While leaving the Newmarket race course on Thursday in a carrriage on his way toward the town, King Edward had a narrow escape from injury. The reval carriage was in a stream of other vehicles, when an automobile caused a sudden stoppage. The driver of the king's carriage promptly pulled up, but the driver of a vehicle that was close behind with five men in it was not quick enough, with the result that the nose of his horse struck the king violently in the bacfl, when the horse in a vehicle immediately behind the one in which were the five men became restive by placing his forefeet upon the back of it All this caused a great commotion, which lasted some minutes. Finally the vehicles were disentangled and went on their way. The king was not injured.

Presbyterians at Winona Lake.

WINONA LAKE, Ind., May 20 .- The Nassau, N. Y., Presbytery has presented to the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church an overture asking the substitution of a brief statement of faith for the West-minster confession. The overture has been sent to committee.

American Baptist Missionary Union. ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 20.-Reports of committees and miscellaneous business occupied the opening hours of today's session of the American Baptist Missionary Union.

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THE factor to be considered if you wish to cover this field at a minimum expense.

COL. ISRAEL KIRK DEAD

PROMINENT RESIDENT OF THE CITY EXPIRES SUDDENLY.

Col. Israel E. Kirk, prominent in official and G. A. R. circles in this city, was found dead this morning in the bath room of his apartments in the Lincoln, 111 12th street southeast. The news of his sudden taking off came as a shock and a surprise to his numerous associates and n the best health and spirits.

went out of the house about 7 o'clock last night and came back at 9 o'clock. He then went to the bath room to take a bath, presumably getting in readiness to attend an outing and shad bake at Marshall Hall today under the auspices of his post of the Grand Army. When the bath room was opened he was dead, as stated. Colonel Kirk was about sixty-five years

of age and was a past commander of Burn side Post, No. 8, G. A. R., and was prominent in the affairs of that organization, He was for many years a special examiner of the pension bureau, but latterly was employed in the bureau here. He was also a member of a lodge of Masons at Kokomo, Ind., and Colonel Keefer, a friend of the deceased, has telegraphed master of the lodge to know if the burial shall be with Masonic rites.

The deceased served throughout the war as a member of Company E, 12th Indiana Regiment. Part of the time he served under Capt. Wright, who is now employed in the army division of the pension office, where Kirk was employed for a number of years. Col. Kirk was at his desk yesterday and was in splendid health and spirits. It is thought that he died this morning a few minutes before his dead body was found. His wife was buried only a few weeks ago. Two sons, William Kirk, who is in the newspaper business in Kokomo, Ind., and Charles Kirk, who is in business in Chicago, survive him. Mrs. Kirk, mother of the de-

ceased, lives with her son in Kokomo. She s ninety-five years old. Capt. Wright took charge of the body and will communicate with relatives of the deceased before making the funeral arrangements. It is probable that the body

will be taken to the Indiana town for in-BLEW OPEN SAFE.

Burglars Shoot Watchman at Raleigh,

Special Dispatch to The Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 20 .- At an early hour this morning, after shooting the night watchman and blowing open a steel safe, robbing it of \$200 and valuable papers, incendiaries set fire to the Standard Oil Company's works here, and at 7 o'clock a.m. they were in total ruins, the tremendous warehouse structure being burned to the ground and five oil and gasoline tanks of 6.000 gallons each exploded. There was no insurance and the loss is estimated at

At 2.30 o'clock a policeman, seeing the building in flames, turned in the alarm, and a few minutes later the fire department was on the scene, but all efforts to save the property were futile, as the fire was never gotten under control. The work of the firemen was devoted to saving the surrounding buildings, several of which caught fire, but the flames were soon ex-tinguished. One fireman was knocked down by an electric wire carrying 1.000 vo!ts, which had been burned in two, and several were overcome by the terrific heat. Five mules were burned to death.

The night watchman, Bud Strickland, a young white man twenty-five years of age, was not missed until after 4 o clock, and several searching parties were formed to hunt for him. The tanks were located at the farthest end from the office, and when the front of the building had been burned to the ground a party entered the burned debris, and after a vigorous search found the charred remains of Strickland near the office, and a professional investigation revealed the fact that he had been shot. The bullet had penetrated the skull. It was then discovered that safe-crackers had operated, as the safe door was open and the papers were missing. Mr. W. N. Whitelaw, superintendent of this division for the Standard Oil Company, arrived here this morning, and detectives will be put on the case immediately. case immediately.

Sighted Yacht Apache. Special Dispatch to The Star.

Princess Alice, which arrived this morning from Bremen and Cherbourg, reports that east under full canvas. The yacht's posi-tion was latitude 40.42, longitude 68.05, about sixty-five miles east of Nantucket lightship.

Date of Morton's Retirement | August W. Machen Placed in Not Yet Fixed.

THE SECRETARY DESIRES TO BROUGHT FROM MOUNDSVILLE LEAVE JULY 1.

Private Secretary Loeb Mentioned as a Possible Selection for the Cabinet.

Secretary Morton's retirement from the cabinet is not definitely fixed, and may not be for a few weeks. The head of the navy was at the White House today. It is understood that he desires to retire as soon as possible, and that July 1 is the time he prefers. The date, however, will depend upon the President, who is disposed to hold Mr. Morton as long as possible. Mr. Morton has reached an understanding with the President that he shall be allowed to sever his connection with the administration not later than September 1.

It was known a short time ago that Mr. Morton wanted to leave the cabinet by the early fall, and this was stated exclusively in The Star. The receipt of a number of business offers decided him to ask the President to be allowed to go earlier, and he fixed upon July 1, because that is the beginning of the fiscal year and is a good time to make a change in a department. Included among the offers are some from business concerns outside of railroads, but the Sante Fa road will probably make an the Sante Fe road will probably make an opening for Mr. Morton if he desires to re-

signing as head of the Department of Com-merce and Labor and is preparing to rent a house in Washington. It is understood from a source close to him that he is pleased with his work and that he has no

As to Secretary Morton's successor, there is much speculation, but nothing certain. William Loeb, private secretary to the President, is looked upon by many as a likely cabinet appointee before a great while, but others who know how close he is associated with the President in the work of the White House do not believe that the President would care to part with him now, and that later he will confer higher honors upon his efficient chief of staff. If Mr. Loeb cares to enter the cabinet it is believed that his wishes will be gratified within a year or so, but if his tastes run in other directions the President will not be unmindful of them before he

Studying the Rival Fleets.

The President's interest in the prospective battle between the Russian and Japanese fleets in eastern waters is shown by friends, who had last seen him apparently a talk he had today with Secretary Morton and Capt. Seaton Schroeder, chief of the A colored servant said Colonel Kirk bureau of naval intelligence. Capt. Schroeder had prepared an interesting document on the relative strength and qualities of the opposing fleets. The President spent some time in a study of the figures.

The President today received the delegates to the A. M. E. Zion conference, who have been in session here. The delegates were accompanied by their wives and friends. Among those in the party were Bishop George W. Clinton, Rev. Messrs. P. A. Wallace, S. L. Corothers, W. L. Mar-shall, W. H. Coffee, John H. Hector and G. L. Blackwell.

Important Missouri Appointments.

The Osler theory of the complete useless ness of man when he gets to be sixty years old has not been adopted by President Roosevelt, who will today appoint Augustus Finklenburg of St. Louis to be United States district judge at that place. Mr. Finklenburg is slxty-four years old, but he is so eminently fitted for the place and so thoroughly useful as a lawyer and as a man that his appointment would be regarded as the best that could be made. Circuit Judge Thayer, a democrat, re-cently died at St. Louis, and there has been

a contest for the vacancy. The President has about decided to promote District Judge Elmer B. Adams of St. Louis to the circuit bench, and to fill the district bench vacancy. Senator Warner, the newly-elected repub-

lican senator of Missouri, has been in Washington for a day or two and has made a recommendation favorable to Finklenburg. vho is a law partner of Charles Nagle, a relative of Secretary Hitchcock. The President has been opposed to the appointment of men over fifty years old to the bench. for the reason that they would not be able to give the government much service before their time for retirement. The Missouri republicans have concluded

that their political work last November demands some plums, and they recently held a meeting and decided upon what they would like in the way of ambassadorships, diplomatic posts and consular places. They have sent on Senator Warner to lay their requests before the President.

Kansas City Delegation Received. Secretary Hitchcock and Senator Warner

of Missouri presented to the President today a delegation of influential business men of Kansas City. The delegation consisted of L. M. Miller, president of the Commercial Club: E. M. Clendening, secretary: W. P. Trickett, H. P. Topping and J. H. Harris, postmaster at Kansas City. This delegation came to Washington to invite ecretary Taft to be the guest of onor at the annual banquet of the club, November 19. Secretary Taft has accepted. The delegation went from the War Department to the White House, and was cordially received by the President. The banquet is expected to be a significant one in many respects, and the selection of Sec-retary Taft as the guest of honor is regarded as of importance in a number of

TO CALL MORE WITNESSES. No Decision Yet Reached in the

Loomis-Bowen Case.

President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft had a conference today regarding the Loomis-Bowen case. At its close Secretary Taft said that no decision yet had been reached. His intention is to call other witnesses who have been indicated to him, and hear their testimony before he makes a formal statement concerning the case to the President. He would not indicate who the witnesses were to be.

The Thomas Sails From Manila. The military secretary is informed that the transport Thomas sailed from Manila today for San Francisco with the 23d Infantry, 541 enlisted; headquarters and second squadron 12th Cavalry, 211 enlisted; 206 casuals; 22 general prisoners; 35 sick.

NEW YORK, May 20.—The steamship Secretary Taft to Speak at Kansas City Secretary Hitchcock introduced to Secretary Taft today a delegation representing she passed yesterday, the 19th, the Ameri- the Kansas City Commercial Club, which can bark-rigged yacht Apache, steering invited the Secretary to speak at a ban-

AT THE WHITE HOUSE HERE TO STAND TRIAL

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District Jail.

RESTS WITH PRESIDENT ON BENCH WARRANT

PENITENTIARY LAST NIGHT.

Ready for Hearing Under Indictment Jointly With Crawford and Lorenz in Post Office Case.

August W. Machen, formerly superintend-

ent of rural free delivery, Post Office Department, jointly convicted with George E. Lorenz, Diller B. Groff and Samuel A. Groff of conspiracy to defraud the United States in connection with the sale to the Post Office Department of Groff letter-box fasteners, is in the United States jail, this city. Machen arrived at the jail at 6 o'clock this morning, in the custody of an officer of the West Virginia penitentiary at Moundsville. The former superintendent of rural free delivery has been serving at Moundsville a sentence of two years imposed in the Machen-Lorenz-Groff case. He was brought here by virtue of a bench warrant issued by the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to stand trial in the Crawford-Lorenz-Machen case, growing out of the Post Office Department irregularities. The case is set for trial Monday next in Criminal Court No. 1.

Attorneys Charles A. Douglass and Conrad Syme of counsel for Machen had a conference with their client at the jail this afternoon. The attorneys declined to say just what their course of action will be, but they intimated in open court several weeks ago, when they formally attacked the right of the District Supreme Court to bring Machen back here for trial on another charge while he is serving a sentence in the penitentiary under a previous conviction, that they intended to later attempt to uphold their contention by habeas corpus proceedings. A petition for the writ of habeas corpus may be filed Monday, and an endeavor made to prevent Machen being then put on trial.

Motion for Severance.

Attorneys Douglass and Syme were in Criminal Court No. 1 today throughout the hearing in connection with the motion of counsel for William G. Crawford for a severance in the Crawford-Lorenz-Machen case and for a consolidation of the three indictments pending against Crawford. The court finally granted Crawford a separate trial from Lorenz, but not from his other co-de-fendant, Machen. The representative of the United States attorney remarking that the prosecution may dismiss the charge against Mrs. Lorenz, who is named as a defendant in one of the indictments, and consolidate for trial the two indictments charging conspiracy, in which Crawford figures, the court held the motion in abeyance as regards those two indictments until United States attorney shall arrive at a conclusion. It was decided not to date the indictment against Crawford charging the presentation of a false voucher with the conspiracy indictments.

Crawford Represented.

Crawford was represented in court today by Attorney A. S. Worthington and Charles L. Frailey, and the prosecution by Assistant United States Attorney Keigwin. The latter repeated his assertion, made yesterday, that he was personally unaware of any arrangement having been made by George E. Lorenz and representatives of the government whereby Lorenz should furnish information to be used by the prosecution against one or both of his co-defendants. In reply Attorney Worthington commented on the fact that Lorenz, although jointly convicted and sentenced with Machen and the Groff brothers, has not been sent to the penitentiary, while Machen and the Groffs have served several months of their sentences. According to Attorney Worthington, if some such arrangement had not been made by representatives of the government and Lorenz, the latter would certainly have been put behind the bars many weeks ago. Attorney Worthington took exception to a statement made by Assistant United States Atfendants in the Crawford-Lorenz-Machen "Mr. Keigwin had no excuse for saying

that," Attorney Worthington declared May Be Antagonistic.

Continuing, Attorney Worthington stated, in support of his contention, that Crawford should be granted a trial separate from Machen, as well as from Lorenz, that so far as he knew the defenses of Crawford and Machen may be antagonistic, and that the government may also have entered into some arrangement with Machen whereby the latter might furnish information in-tended to be detrimental to Crawford. A brother of George E. Lorenz, who resides in this city, was in court during the

proceedings today. Two Affidavits Filed.

In support of his motion for a severance Crawford filed an affidavit today setting forth that yesterday, in open court, during the discussion of the motion for a severance, Mr. Keigwin was asked whether be expected to offer in evidence at the trial as against Crawford statements or admissions made by Lorenz since his recent conviction, and that Mr. Kelgwin declined to answer the question. The affidavit further declared that later, yesterday, after Mr. Keigwin had shown Attorney Worthington the statethat Mr. Keigwin proposed to file as answer to the affidavit supporting the notion for a severance, Attorney Worthington asked Mr. Keigwin whether among the statements or admissions of Lorenz were included any statements or admissions made by Lorenz since his conviction, and Mr. Keigwin "again declined to answer the

Assistant United States Attorney Keigwin again today filed an affidavit in the case, stating that the 15th instant Mr. Worthington addressed to Mr. Kelgwin several ques tions relative to the prosecution of the case, which questions, after consulation with and by authority of the United States attorney, Mr. Keigwin answered. Among the questions was one to the effect—"What is the attitude of the government toward Lorenz?" Mr. Keigwin answe.ed: 'The same as toward any other defendant." Thereupon Mr. Worthington asked whether he was to understand by that answer that the government had no negotiat or s with Lorenz, to which Mr. Keigwin answered that he could give no information upon that point.

Admiral Sigsbee Coming to Confer. The cruisers Brooklyn, Tacoma and Chat-

tanooga of the Caribbean squadron, commanded by Rear Admiral Sigsbee, arrived at New York yesterday from San Juan, and will be immediately fitted out for their voyage to France to receive the remains of Commodore John Paul Jones. Rear Admidal Sigshee will come to Washington at once to confer with the authorities regarding the details of his mission.